



t's the middle of Art Week, with its focus on painting. It has been a priority on the island for a few years to make art an asset in promoting Saint Barth as a tourist destination. Art and artists make for interesting conversation, and sometimes very different kinds of artists meet here. The other night it was interesting to see American painter Victor Matthews, who shows on the island at Space Gallery, visit the exhibit by French painter Alain LeChatelier at Les Artisans. Matthews paints large white abstract paintings while Le Chatelier paints brightly colored, slightly distorted reality. Different reflections on how they see the world perhaps.

So the goal of Art Week is to promote local artists or those who have some kind of a connection to the island. I suppose every artist who comes here is attracted to the light, the landscapes, and the traditional architecture (which they better capture fast as it's an endangered species!). With seven cocktail receptions in seven days, it's a whirlwind of art for those brave enough to go to all seven events, sort of a moveable feast for art lovers.

Music also plays a role in the cultural fabric of the island and it's nice to see that a new music school has opened in Colombier, under the aegis of Saint Barth Harmony. They are holding a fund-raiser on Saturday night, details in this issue of The Weekly.

Read our article about all the building permits given out last year for hotels and houses all over the island. More-is-better seems to beaten out more-is-less, and I am still scratching my head as to how an island already stretching its natural resources, as well as its infrastructure, can continue to add people and cars, when we already have enough of both.

I guess we just have to wait and see...

Ellen Lampert-Gréaux

The Second Edition of Art With A Focus On Painting

aunched on Sunday, February 2, the second edition of Art Week continues this week with three evening events in leading hotels on the island. The first part of the week featured Eric Demarchelier at Le Barthélemy, Gabriela Berrutti at The Christopher and Jason Bereswill at Villa Marie, while Paddy Cohn's work will be seen at Manapany this evening, February 6, with a reception starting at 7 pm.

The participating painters all have a connection to Saint Barthélemy: some have lived here, while others have family here, and some are regular visitors. That is one of the conditions to be part of association Artists of Saint-Barth, which has 50 members and is the force behind Art Week. "The five hotels from last year all renewed their participation, with enthusiasm," notes Emmanuel Leprince, director of the association. "For a week, Saint Barthélemy will be the world's most beautiful museum!"

Paddy Cohn at Manapany



Paddy Cohn is a classically trained figurative oil painter turned mixed media abstract artist. Her ancestry includes family from Saint Barthélemy, Saint Thomas, and

Week Takes Place Thru February 8,



One painting, one plate: after the cocktail reception at Le Sereno, Friday evening, February 7, to showcase the work of artist Luca Bornoffi, diners can find each of the paintings on their plates. An idea brought to life by Andrea Cimino, Le Sereno's Italian chef. ©DR

Guadeloupe. This rich history is a prominent part of her aesthetics. Paddy uses found objects and materials such as sand, driftwood and other substances, combined with a variety of harmonious color palettes to create her art. With depth, imagination and mystery, each piece unfolds at its own pace, while revealing a magical glimpse into her inner psyche and soul. The result is a fresh, innovative genre of work that has quickly gained recognition and praise.

Luca Bornoffi at Le Sereno

Luca Bornoffi, born in Mantua in 1980, grew up in the countryside among horses. "Since school, I've often found myself drawing abstract pictures with anything I could get my hands on..." His artistic journey began with his many travels, instinctively trying to express the imperfections of life by using colors as a source of serenity and joy. Luca founded an Art Eco Design Farm, Beatilla, a tourist complex entirely designed and decorated with his eco-design artwork and furniture. He participates in various artistic performances, where different cultures and emotions are involved and mixed.

Dominique Le Grand Philouze at Le Toiny



"My painting is rather abstract which can arouse the fantasies of the one who looks at me. It is in my imagination like a work on the wear and tear of time. I use acrylic, pigments, walnut, ink, old paper, newspaper, glass, silk... marble dust, ashes, charcoal... I pose, glue, take off, scratch, claw, wear, wash, sponge, caress, tear, sand, and start again... I breathe in and out... At the same time as I develop a representation of time, I feel like respecting a psychic process, the sediments pile up layer after layer..."

SCHEDULE

- Thursday, February 6 Paddy Cohn at Manapany, 7pm
- Friday, February 7 Luca Bornoffi at Le Sereno, 7pm
- Saturday, February 8
 Dominique Le Grand Philouze at Le Toiny, 7pm

Full details at: www.sbhartweek.com

News Briefs

Music, Paper, and Words

The association, Saint-B'Art, has kicked off 2020 with its postal art competition and its short story competition. Everyone can participate in the art competition by designing art for a stamp an envelope, riffing on the theme "words and music," by using paint, collage... all techniques are accepted and all of the works will be exhibited. For those with a literary bent, the theme for the writing competition is "let's talk about music." Participants are divided into two categories, over and under the age of 18. As for the younger set, 51 students have already turned in their efforts, following an atelier Saturday morning at the middle school. Adults can submit their manuscripts until March 20. Terms and information: associationstbart@gmail.com.

St-Barth Harmony Gala, February 8

The Saint-Barth Harmony association is holding a gala evening at 7pm on Saturday, February 8 at the Anglican Church in Gustavia. The goal is not only to hear the students and teachers play a mix of classical music, blues/rock, film music, and world music, but also to raise funds to help launch the new Acilde Terrac

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Music School in Colombier. There will be a champagne bar during intermission. Free entry. Donations are welcome.

First Whale Of The Year!

Whale watching season is officially open: The Territorial Environmental Agency (ATE) noted the first humpback whale sighting on Wednesday, January 22. Each year, these marine mammals migrate thousands of miles to get to the warm waters of the Caribbean to mate or give birth, for example, in the waters around St Barthélemy, where they are protected. The ATE points out the importance of observing the whales without disturbing them, and respecting a zone of at least 300 meters in front and in back of the animals. and not to approach any closer than 100 meters alongside. The first "day of the whale" in St Barthélemy this year, organized by the association Megaptera, the ATE, and the Collectivity, will be held on March 8 2020, which is also International Women's Day. The main dock in Gustavia will host lectures, exhibits. films, art objects, etc. For additional information: megapteraone@hotmail.com.

Windsurfing:

Delphine & Antoine Questel in Japan The season started in Japan for Delphine Cousin-Ouestel and Antoine Ouestel with the second edition of Défi Wind Japan, the first of two competitions on the pro circuit, taking place on Miyako Island in the region of Okinawa on February 1-4, followed by Défi Wind Superstars, which features the best windsurfers on the planet on February 6-8. The current world champions and a good number of their competitors will be in Miyakojima for these first events of the year. Pierre Mortefon, Nicolas Goyard, as well as Antoine Albeau, Björn Dunkerbeck, Arnon Dagan, Jordy Vonk, Lena Erdil, Marion Mortefon, Amado Vrieswijk, and others, will all be there. Not to mention Delphine Cousin-Questel from the SBYC, 2019 world champion for slalom and foil, happy to discover "a new paradise for windsurfing. Defi Wind Japan will be the first trial, even if winter training is not over for everyone. I also enjoy sailing in the raid-style races as that's a format I really appreciate," says Delphine in the specialized magazine Windsurf. Maëlle Guilbaud, third worldwide and a member of CNSB (Nautical Center of Saint Barth) will not be there. In order to finance her season, Maëlle has been working at the center in Saint Jean and "having been invited only 10 days ago, I didn't have time to get organized," she explains. Her season will start in late March or early April with the first PWA world championship event.

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204 Building Permits Approved, Several Were Controversial

ver a period of 12 months. the executive council examined 352 requests for building permits (not including urbanism certificates or construction declarations). Of these, 106 were refused in that they did not respect the rules set out by the planning map. Two permits, at the end of the year, were held in abeyance. The first because the balconies were considered too voluminous in relation to the existing building; the second because the height of the home was judged too high especially in light of the revisions to the urbanism code adopted last year, which intends to decrease the maximum height of buildings.

Nicole Gréaux Abstained From Vote On Emeraude Plage

Height is one of the major reasons for a debate, among others, concerning the building permit approved in December for the future Emeraude Plage, a hotel with 25 rooms and suites (a total of 50 bedrooms) on the beach in St Jean, between Lil'Rock Beach and l'Eden Rock. It will have underground parking, several pools, a restaurant, and a spa... a total of 16 new buildings will replace the former Emeraude Plage, currently being demolished. Two council members abstained from the vote: Marie-Angèle Aubin, who had already expressed her concern about the augmentation of the number of hotel rooms on the island. More surprisingly, first vice-president Nicole Gréaux also abstained, but did not reply to our question as to why.

Another large project approved in 2019 is Autour du Rocher. The permit was reviewed after an appeal from a neighbor, but has now been approved. So the western point above the beach in Lorient will house a property with 24 buildings. The building permit is very clear



that, among other things, the colony of white-tailed tropicbirds that lives on the cliffs must not be disturbed by the construction, and there are strict conditions for a high-tech wastewater/sanitation system.

More modest but in a strategic location, Villa Marie also now has a green light to build a beach restaurant and a habitation on the beach in Saint Jean; a project that had been rejected for insufficient parking. The hotel appealed and was successful. Same scenario for a 10-room boutique hotel slated to be built in Lurin.

These are but a few of the 204 building permits approved in 2019. The majority (103) concern already existing structures: post-Irma reconstruction, numerous extensions to houses, and modifications (roof color, adding

an enclosure or a pool...). Another 40 are administrative adjustments to already approved permits (prorogations, transfers, cancellations). That leaves 101 new buildings, the majority of which are houses and villas, but one project can contain several buildings, such as a complex with 16 bedrooms in Saint Jean, or that of seven houses on a piece of land in Saline, etc. The overall figure also contains a few public projects: two or three EDF transformers, the new infirmary, and an equipment room for SAUR, the water company, close to the reservoir in Colombier, for example. In any case, in considering all these permits, it is hard to imagine a slowdown in construction on the island as Bruno Magras has been touting for several months: there is enough work for the next two or three years at least!

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Art Week

- Thursday, February 6 Paddy Cohn at Manapany, 7pm
- Luca Bornoffi at Le Sereno, 7pm
- ▶ Saturday, February 8 Dominique Le Grand Philouze at Le Toiny, 7pm

Live Music

- **DEVERY Day**
- D.J set @ Bonito St Barth. - D.J Set for lunch @ Pearl
- Beach
- @ Bagatelle, Gustavia - Le Ti 54! Disco and
- long by the resident DJ Franck N. Live singer at 8.45pm. Performer show at 9:30pm during dinner. Fancy dress room. DJ after
- Sunset Lounge with DJ
- Set @ Christopher Hotel. - Live Music by Soley from 12pm – 2pm @ Lil'Rock
- Friday February 7 - "Crazy Ti!" Live singer at 8.45pm Dinner and club-

bing-style dance show. DJ after dinner party & fancydress room @ Ti St Barth

Where to go dancing? See an art exhibit? Listen to live music?

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- "Rose Fridays" Music Patris Gero and Al Sax. 12 pm -7pm @ Nikki Beach
- Nuit Blanche Party. champagne for Ladies @ Bagatelle
- Friday Friendly Afterwork - Di Set from 5pm @ Pearl Beach
- Daturday February 8 - Live Music by Soley from
- 12pm-2pm @ Lil'Rock - "Crazy Ti!" Live singer at 8.45pm Dinner and clubbing-style dance show. DJ after dinner party & fancydress room @ Ti St Barth
- Bikini Day Grab you best Bikini and join the Party - DJ set and Fashion show by Pop St Barth
- @ Pearl Beach, St-Jean Sunday February 9 - Amazing Sundays. Music
- by Jerome Barthelemy, Patris Gero and Al Sax from 12pm @ Nikki Beach Monday February 10
- Live Music by Soley from 12pm – 2pm @ Lil'Řock
- Italian Évening, Cucina E Vino from 7pm with Live music@ Christopher Hotel Live Music with Soley for
- dinner @ Le Sereno D Tuesday February 11
- Gypsy Evening with Soley @ La Casa, Gustavia
- "The traditional cabaret show of Le Ti St Barth" Dinner-Cabaret Show at 9.30pm. DJ after dinner party and fancy-dress room @ Ti St Barth
- Live Music by Soley from 12pm – 2pm @ Lil'Rock
- Wednesday February 12 - Evening Live music by Carbo from 7:30pm at
- Villa Marie, Colombier - "The traditional cabaret show of Le Ti St Barth" Dinner-Cabaret Show at

9.30pm. DJ after dinner party and fancy-dress room @ Ti St Barth

Fashion Show

- Every lunch
- @ Pearl Beach
- @ Nikki Beach
- @ Le Barthelemy
- **D** Every Tuesday
- 6:30 pm at La Cabane, Cheval Blanc
- Every night (Closed on
- Sunday & Monday) @ Ti St Barth

- @ Modjo St-Jean @ Casa Night Club
- @ Ti St Barth

Exhibitions

- **▶** Through February 14 Alain Le Chatelier Les Artisans, Gustavia Through February 15 West Indies 17/19 Le Marchand de Couleurs Gustavia
- Through March 4 - An Island Floating Between The Sea And The Sky at the Wall House
- Museum, Gustavia - Bronze Sculptures at The Collectivity Garden
- Group Exhibition incl. Hugh Arnold, Giorgio Pasqualetti, Hunt Slonem, Dominique Rousserie and more at Space Gallery St Barth, Carré d'Or
- The Spirit of St Barth, photography by Sebastien Martinon by Space Gallery at Barnes International.
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- Clic Gallery, Gustavia
- Les Artisans, Gustavia
- Art Hunter, Gustavia
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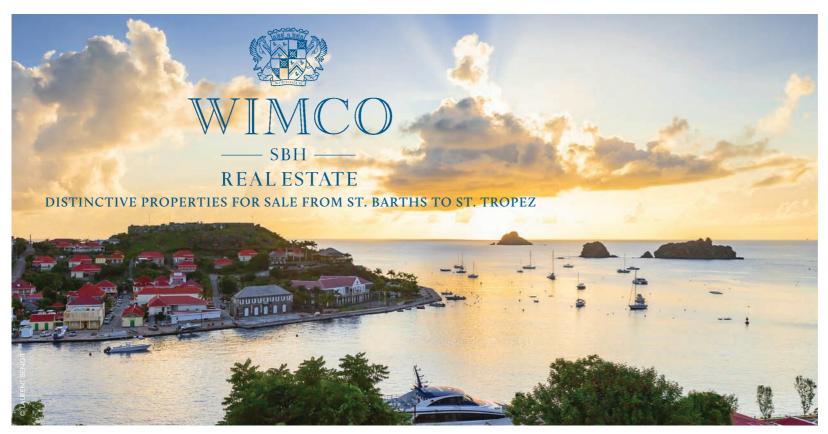
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